

extent than any other ; its qualities being such as have induced me to give it a decided preference over every variety I have seen, (though my garden contains, I believe, all the best of those which have been exhibited as prize fruits in *Lancashire*, and an extensive collection of my own raising ;) being earlier ripe, of excellent flavour, and its produce such as, were I to relate it, would appear to border on the marvellous. The specimen selected for delineation by the Committee of the HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY, was not at all beyond a fair sample, as I could have shown five thousand equally fine. It usually ripens in the middle of June, and in favourable seasons it is sometimes earlier. The fruit may be gathered at an early period, and will, I presume, be found larger and better in the month of May than any other kind. Immediately previous to ripening it is excellent for baking, as the skin is not tough, but the whole berry melts to a fine consistence."